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VIA Courier

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communication Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Confidential Financial Information Subject to Protective Order in WC Docket Nos. 14-58, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109, CC Docket Nos. 01-92, 96-45, GN Docket No. 09-51, WT Docket No. 10-208. Before the Federal Communications Commission.
Form 481 – Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection, 2015

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc. ("ASTAC"), GVNW Consulting, Inc. hereby submits the attached redacted and confidential versions of its "FCC Form 481 – Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection" information pursuant to sections 54.313 and 54.422 of the Commission's rules, as filed with the Universal Service Administrative Company. A copy is also being submitted to the Public Utility Commission of Alaska.

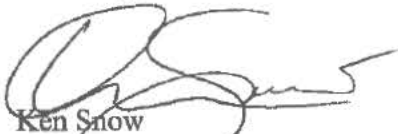
ASTAC requests confidential treatment pursuant to sections 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission's rules for 1) the Progress Report required by section 54.313(a)(1), 2) certain Broadband speeds noted on Line 711 required by section 54.313(a)(7) provided to commercial operations on the North Slope; 3) Financial Data required by section 54.313(f)(2) to be attached to this report, and as identified on Lines 3027-3024 of FCC Form 481. The information contained in the Progress Report, the Financials and on Line 711 contain competitively sensitive information that is secure from public access which could be used by a competitor to disadvantage or harm ASTAC.

Further, ASTAC requests confidential treatment pursuant to sections 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission's rules for those items in the annual Board Meeting Minutes not related to the Tribal Engagement Obligation required by section 54.313(a)(9). As a matter of policy, the information contained in the Board Meeting Minutes is only available to the membership of the Cooperative, not the general public

In accordance with the Protective Order, two redacted copies marked "REDACTED – FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION" and one non redacted confidential version marked "CONFIDENTIAL – NOT FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION" are being filed with the Commission. A redacted copy has also been filed via the Electronic Comment Filing System.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 503-612-4418.

Sincerely,



Ken Snow
GVNW Consulting, Inc.

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Charles Tyler, FCC Telecommunications Access Policy Division (two copies, confidential)
J. Smith, GVNW

<010> Study Area Code		613001
<015> Study Area Name		ARCTIC SLOPE TEL
<020> Program Year		2016
<030> Contact Name: Person USAC should contact with questions about this data		Olevar Nottall
<035> Contact Telephone Number: Number of the person identified in data line <030>		9078642880 ext.
<038> Contact Email Address: Email of the person identified in data line <030>		olevar@stac.net

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<1200> Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers		(complete attached worksheet)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Price Cap Carriers, Proceed to Price Cap Additional Documentation Worksheet

Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers

<2000>	(check to indicate certification)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Rate of Return Carriers, Proceed to ROR Additional Documentation Worksheet

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<010>	Study Area Code	010001
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<030>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	CLYDE M. HALL
<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	9076642490 ext.
<038>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	claymhall@usac.net
<110>	Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC?	(yes / no) <input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>
<115>	If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing §54.202(a) "5 year plan" filed with the FCC?	(yes / no) <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>

If your answer to Line <111> is yes, then you are required to file a progress report, on line <112> delineating the status of your company's existing § 54.202(a) "5 year plan" on file with the FCC, as it relates to your provision of voice telephony service.

<112> Attach Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan or, in subsequent years, your annual progress report filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.202(a)(1). If your company is a CLEC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service.

Please select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm that the attached document(s), on line <112>, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to §54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate.

<113>	Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets	Yes
<114>	Report how much universal service (USF) support was received	Yes
<115>	How much (USF) was used to improve service quality and how support was used to improve service quality	Yes
<116>	How much (USF) was used to improve service coverage and how support was used to improve service coverage	Yes
<117>	How much (USF) was used to improve service capacity and how support was used to improve service capacity	Yes
<118>	Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year.	Not Applicable

Name of Attached Document

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	Study Area Code	Study Area Name	Program Year	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Contact Telephone Number - Member of person identified in data file	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data file
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<015>	Study Area Name	ARIZONA SLOPPY TOWN
<020>	Project Year	2016
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<060>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <050>	6175624899 ext.
<080>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <050>	clmccge@usa.gov
<090>	Residential Local Service Change Effective Date	1/1/2015
<095>	Single State-wide Residential Local Service Change	

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<01>	Study Area Code	63061
<02>	Study Area Name	ARMED SLIPS, INC.
<03>	Program Year	2015
<04>	Contact Name - Person USMC should contact regarding this data	CLARK, ROBERT
<05>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <04>	7075412500 ext.
<06>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <04>	clark@armedslips.net
<07>	Reporting Carrier	Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc.
<08>	Holding Company	Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc.
<09>	Operating Company	Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc.

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<020>	Program Year	2016
<030>	Contact Name - Person USAL should contact regarding this data	CLIVER NOME LI
<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	907843360 ext.
<038>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	clivernome@arctic.net

North Slope Borough

<040> Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves

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<020> Tribal Government Engagement Obligation

Name of Attached Document

If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes/No, NA) for each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached document(s), on line 500, demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to § 54.313(e)(3) includes:

- <021> Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions.
- <022> Feasibility and sustainability planning
- <023> Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;
- <024> Compliance with Rights of way processes
- <025> Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements
- <026> Compliance with Facilities Siting rules
- <027> Compliance with Environmental Review processes
- <028> Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes
- <029> Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.

Select Yes or No or Not Applicable
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes



<010>	Study Area Code	633061
<015>	Study Area Name	AMCOT SLATER RD
<020>	Program Year	2015
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<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	50552590 ext.
<038>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	cmora@slater.net

<1120> Please confirm whether terrestrial broadcast options exist within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g) (Yes, No).

<1130> Please select the appropriate response (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 kbps upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g).

12101- Study Area Code - 12101- Study Area Name - 12101- Program Year - 12101- Contact Name - 12101- Contact Telephone Number - 12101- Contact Email Address - 12101- Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans - 12101- Link to Public Website - 12101- Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to lifeline subscribers, annually report - 12101- Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan, annually report - 12101- Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan, annually report

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Name of Attached Document

12101- Study Area Code - 12101- Study Area Name - 12101- Program Year - 12101- Contact Name - 12101- Contact Telephone Number - 12101- Contact Email Address - 12101- Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans - 12101- Link to Public Website - 12101- Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to lifeline subscribers, annually report - 12101- Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan, annually report - 12101- Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan, annually report

*Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1210, or the website listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.422(e)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must annually report:

12101- Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to lifeline subscribers, annually report ☒ 12201- Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan, annually report ☒ 1222- Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan, annually report ☒



<20>	Study Area Code	433901
<21>	Study Area Name	AMERICAN SUPPORT FOR
<22>	Program Year	2015
<23>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	CONVIER, MARGARET
<24>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <23>	2177600910
<25>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <23>	CONVIER.M@AMERICAN.SUPPORT.FOR

Select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to indicate compliance as a recipient of International Disaster Assistance Phase I support, from High Cost support, High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions, and Overseas America's Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(a)(4)(i)-(j). The information reported on this form will be in the documents attached below to the form.

<211>	Incremental Domestic American Phase I reporting	
<212>	2nd Year Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(a)(1)(i))	
<213>	3rd Year Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(a)(1)(ii))	
<214>	Attachment (47 CFR § 54.313(a)(1)(iii))	

Name of Attached Document(s) Using Required Information

Phase I Cap Carrier Reporting Person Support Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(a)(1))

<2012>	2013 Person Support Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(a)(1)(i))	
<2013>	2014 Person Support Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(a)(1)(ii))	
<2014>	2015 Person Support Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(a)(1)(iii))	
<2015>	2016 and future Person Support Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(a)(1)(iv))	

Phase I Cap Carrier Reporting Person Support Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(a)(1))

<2016>	Certification Support Used to Build Broadband	
<2017>	Overseas America Phase II Reporting (47 CFR § 54.313(a)(2))	
<2018>	3rd Year Broadband Service Certification	
<2019>	5th Year Broadband Service Certification	
<2020>	Interim Progress Certification	

Please check the box to confirm that the attached documents, on line 2021, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (e)(3)(ii), as a recipient of CAF Phase II support still provides the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.

<2021>	Interim Progress Community Anchor Institutions	
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Name of Attached Document(s) Using Required Information

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<010> Study Area Code	613801
<015> Study Area Name	ARCTIC SLOPE TEL
<020> Program Year	2016
<030> Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Gloria McNeil
<035> Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	9078642650 ext.
<040> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	gloria@arctic.slopes.net

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients	
I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for (a) verbal service support recipients and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier	ARCTIC SLOPE TEL
Signature of Authorized Officer	CERTIFIED ONLINE Date 06/11/2016
Printed name of Authorized Officer	Gloria McNeil
Title or position of Authorized Officer	CWG
Telephone number of Authorized Officer	9078642650 ext.
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier	613801 Filing Date for this form: 07/01/2016
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 501, 505(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 3601.	

<010>	Study Area Code	613001
<020>	Study Area Name	NEOTIC BUCPH SH.
<030>	Program Year	2016
<040>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Clayton Howell
<050>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <040>	9078643690 ext.
<060>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <040>	claytonh@usac.mil

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for CAF or LI recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier. I also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate.	
Name of Authorized Agent:	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	
Signature of Authorized Officer:	Date:
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	Filing Due Date for this form:
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or imprisonment under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(a), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for CAF or LI recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier. I have provided the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	
Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	Date:
Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	Filing Due Date for this form:
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or imprisonment under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(a), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

Attachments

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<C1D>	Study Area Code	531001
<C1S>	Study Area Name	ACACSO SLOVE BAS
<C2D>	Program Year	2025
<C3D>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Clarence Kohn
<C3S>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <C3D>	9079623480 ext.
<C3E>	Contact Email Address - Email address of person identified in data line <C3D>	clarence.kohn@usac.mil

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54.313(a)(5) Satisfaction of Consumer Protection and Service Quality Standards

Consumer Protection

Voice and Broadband

Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc. complies with the requirements of 47 CFR Part 64 Subpart U, Customer Proprietary Network Information and the Federal Trade Commission Red Flag rules to prevent identity theft. A manual for each of those programs is in place and is part of the employees' handbook. Employee training is conducted annually and new hires are instructed on the programs as required by their job functions. This applies to all lines of business (voice, broadband, wireless and lifeline).

Service Quality Standards

Voice

Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc. complies with the service standards of the State of Alaska promulgated in Alaska Statutes, Title 3 Commerce, Community, and Economic Development Part 7 Regulatory Commission of Alaska, 3 AAC 52.200-3, AAC 52.340, Telephone Utilities and Alaska Administrative Code 8 AAC 53.700 State Telecommunications Modernization. This applies to all lines of business (voice, broadband, wireless and lifeline).

Broadband

Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc. follows the service standards noted in NECA Tariff #5 and is committed to provide the highest service to its broadband customers.

Functionality in Emergency Situations

In 7 of our village locations (Point Hope, Point Lay, Wainwright, Atkasuk, Nuiqsut, Kaktovik and Anaktuvuk Pass) we have fully redundant Redcom local exchange switches. The central offices that these switches are installed in are equipped with back up batteries designed to support an 8 hour power disruption. In addition, each location has a standby generator that will come on line automatically in the event of the loss of commercial power. These generators are equipped with external fuel tanks that will provide for 4 or 5 days of unattended operation. We have village reps in these villages that can check the site during an emergency and have fuel delivered if necessary.

In our two largest exchanges, Barrow and Deadhorse we have fully redundant DMS 10 local exchange switches. The central offices these switches are installed in are equipped with back up batteries to support an 8 hour power disruption. In addition, each location has a standby generator that will come on line automatically in the event of loss of commercial power. These generators are equipped with external fuel tanks that will provide for 4 or 5 days of unattended operation. In addition these locations are manned 7 days a week for emergency response.

In both Barrow and Deadhorse we have battery back at all remote locations and any locations without permanent standby generators are supported by portable generators.

In all locations we work with the two long distance carriers to reroute traffic as required to recover from network outages or traffic spikes. We have redundant routes to both major carriers.

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**Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc.
Program Year 2016
PROGRESS REPORT ON SERVICE QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

PREAMBLE

This document is an integral part of the Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc.'s (ASTAC) Program Year 2016 Annual Report, as attached to Form 481. It is in compliance with §54.313(a)(1) adopted in the FCC's USF/ICC Transformation Order (11-161) and incorporates all further clarifications identified in subsequent Reconsideration Orders, as applicable, that were in effect at the time the Annual Report was due by Rule, to the requisite regulatory authorities.

Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc. advises that the environment in which ASTAC operates is dynamic, not static. As a result, certain network targets identified in its initial 5 Year Network Improvement Plan filed in 2014, may be modified in response to regulatory decisions that have been subsequently adopted, and as their implication upon ASTAC's financial viability in providing the required services and service level quality became known.

Modifications to the Network Improvement Plan may also have been taken due to changes in technology (vendor)-driven support, weather, or other emergency related contingencies.

Targets not met or changed since the initial 5 Year Network Improvement Plan filing are identified and reasons provided for those changes.

UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT RECEIVED IN 2015

Per the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), as available for the period up to this filing, Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc. received a total of [REDACTED] (as of 06/08/15) in USF support funds. The breakdown of the funding to the point of filing is:

- [REDACTED] High Cost Loop Support
- [REDACTED] Local Switching Support
- [REDACTED] Connect America Fund-Intercarrier Compensation Support
- [REDACTED] Interstate Common Line Support
- [REDACTED] Safety Net Additive

Universal Service Support funds are used to: 1) maintain, upgrade, and improve ASTAC's network and, 2) cover operating expenses and debt commitments as necessary to permit it to offer a high level of service for both voice and broadband within the authorized serving area.

USF support will continue to be included in ASTAC's current revenue accounts and forward-looking projections. Revenues, in the aggregate, are used for both capital expenditures as well as to cover operating expenses and fixed costs incurred to obtain capital from lenders. ASTAC does not segregate USF separately for purposes of capital and operating expenditures; USF is expended in the same proportion as its contribution is to ASTAC's aggregated revenue amount.

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The proportionate share of USF expenditures in 2015 to date for CAPEX is estimated to be [REDACTED] ([REDACTED]) and for OPEX [REDACTED] ([REDACTED]).

In the accompanying 2015 project detail, expenditures for network improvements sometimes involve service quality, coverage and capacity as an integrated improvement project and are not mutually exclusive from one another. In terms of cost, projects involving multiple qualifiers are of equal dollar equivalence. Where a project involves a single qualifier, it is so noted.

In the Program Year 2015 filing, ASTAC reported the following:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

PROGRESS REPORT

2015

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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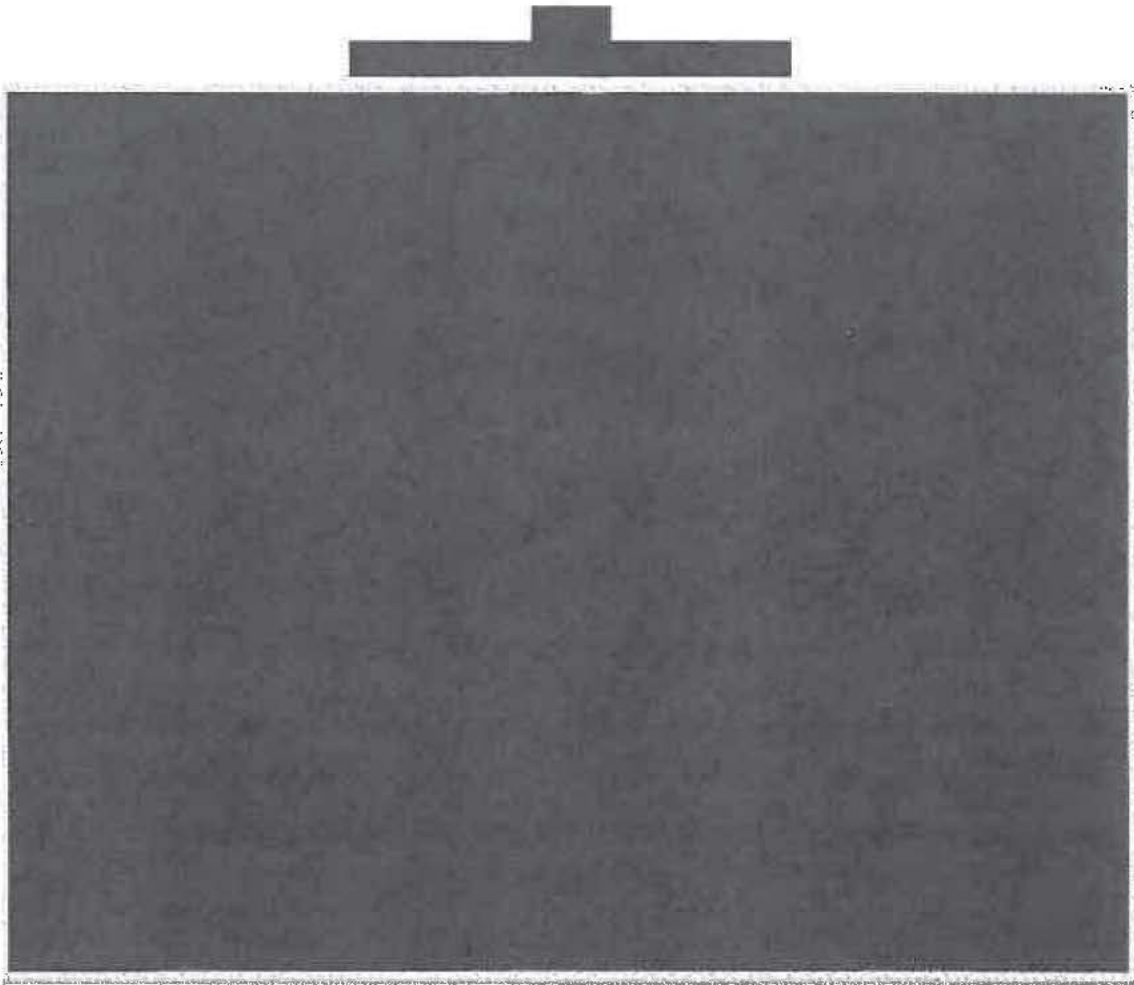
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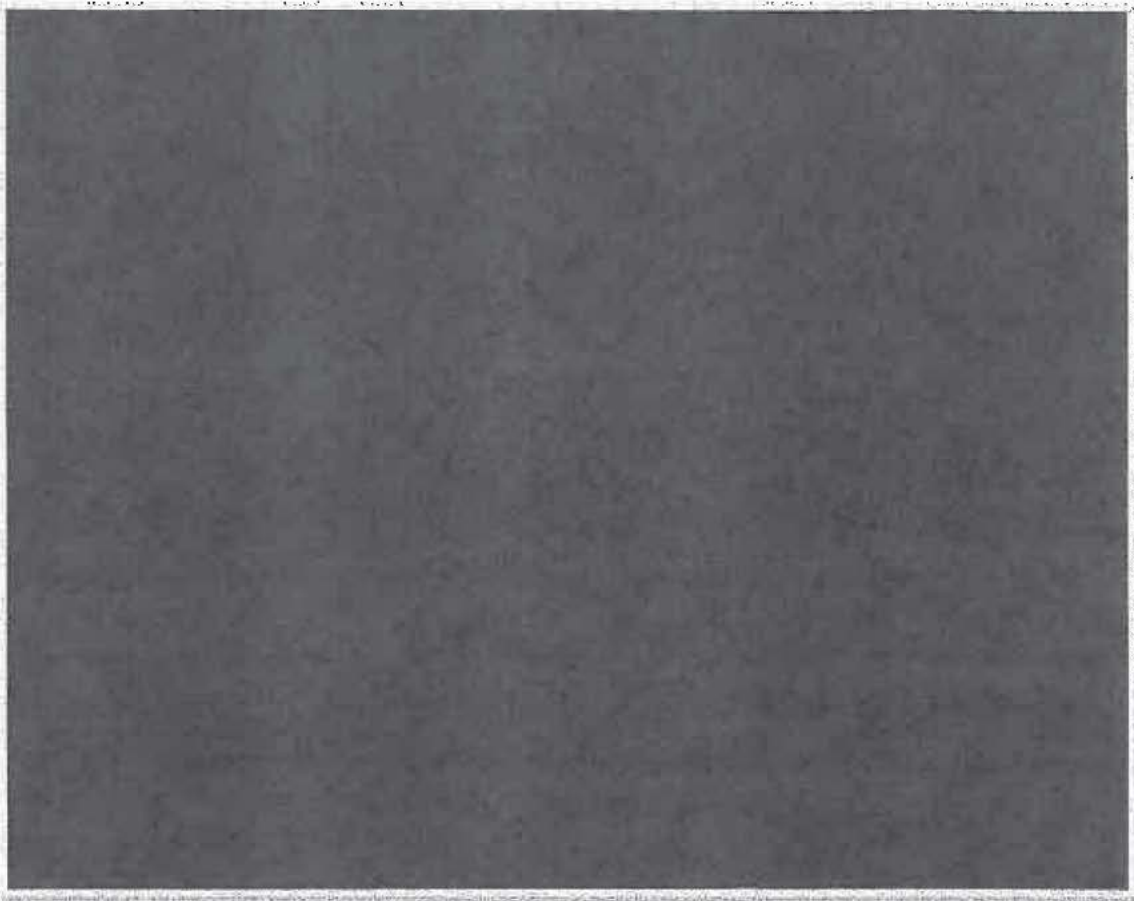
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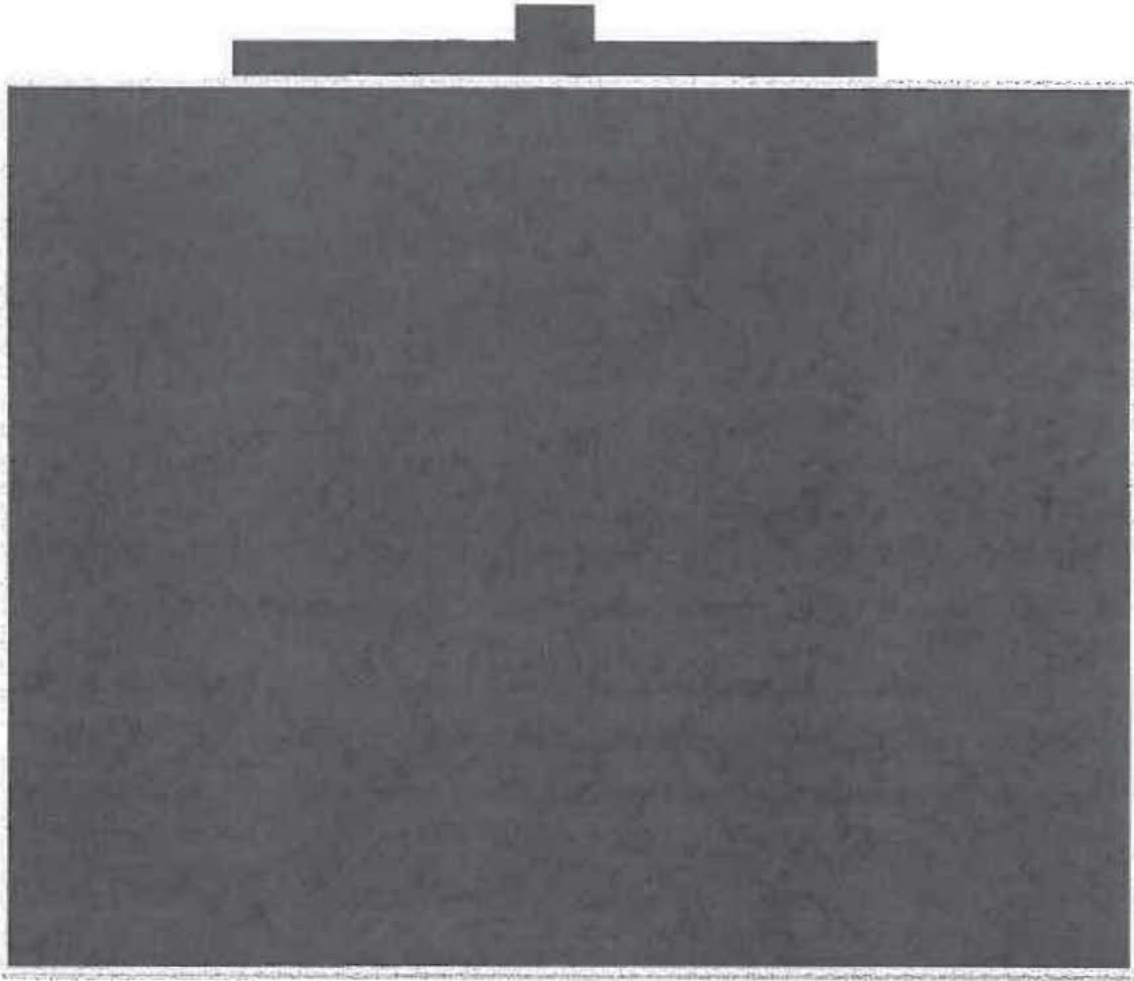
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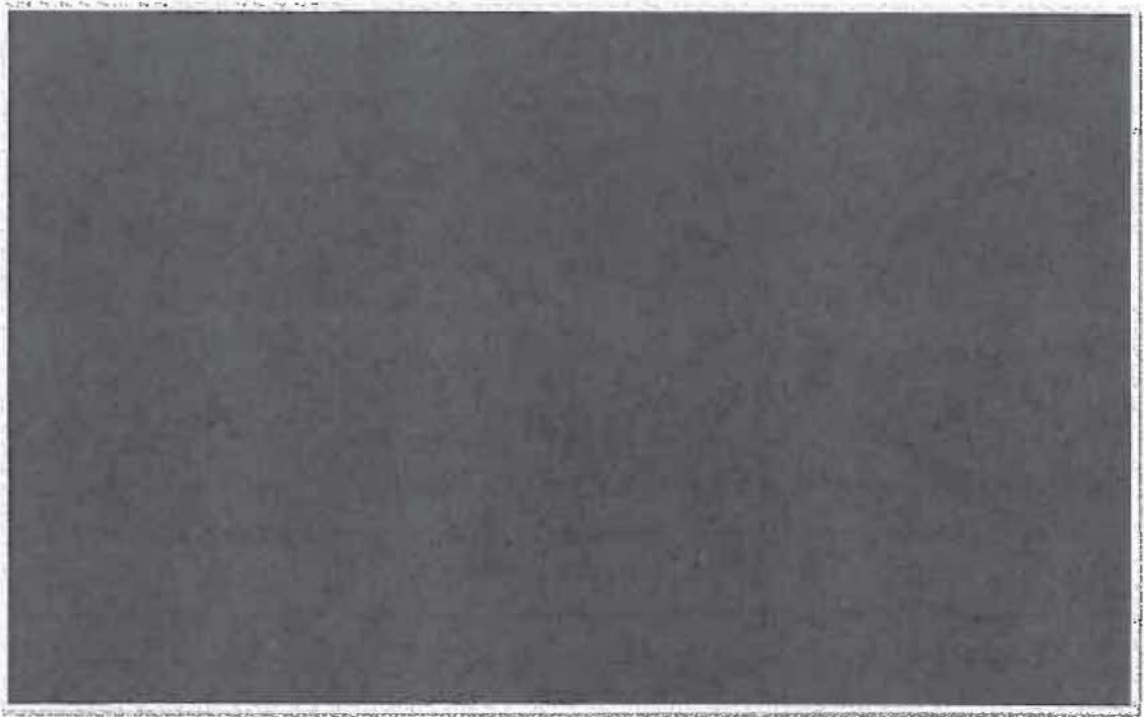
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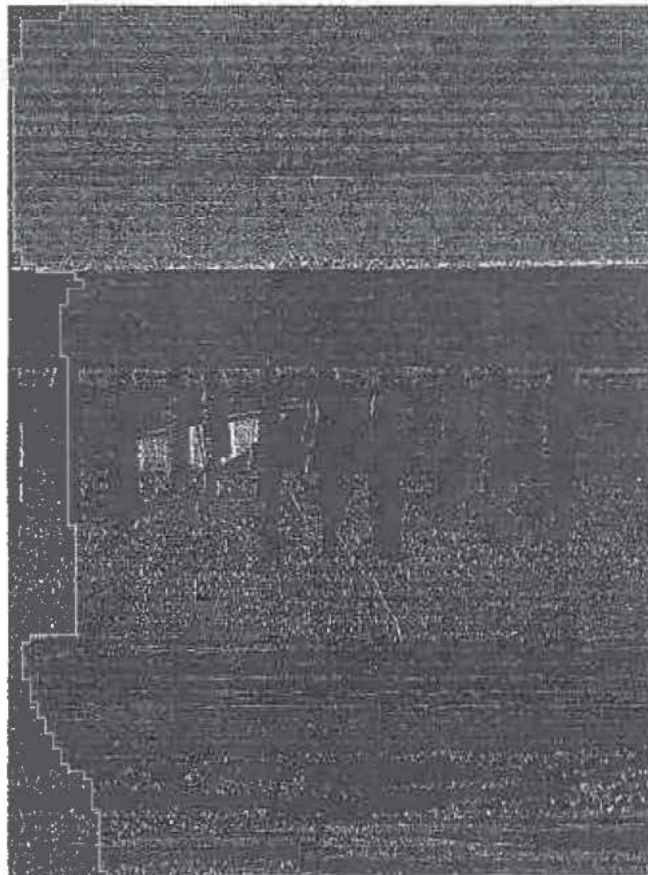
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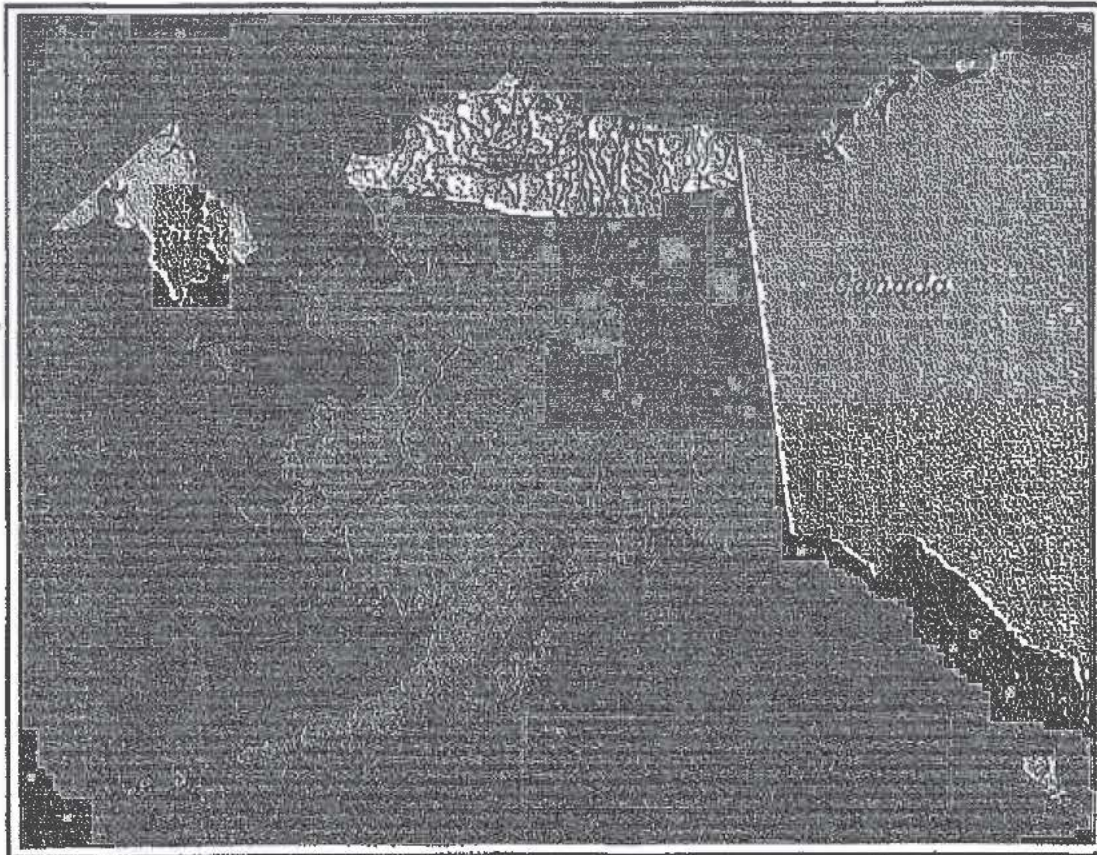
Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc.

Certification of Tribal Engagement

For the Year Ending December 31, 2014



Service Area Description: Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc. (ASTAC) serves the North Slope Region of Alaska. Our service area encompasses over 89,000 square miles and has seven traditional Native villages, the City of Barrow and the oilfields of Prudhoe Bay scattered across that expanse. With the exception of Prudhoe Bay, which is built out from the terminus of the Dalton Highway, all other villages can only be reached year round by aircraft.




Tribal Entities: There are ten federally recognized Tribal Entities within ASTAC's serving area. Each of the seven villages and Barrow has a Native Village organization. Arctic Slope Native Association (ASNA) is the Tribal Entity that manages the Samuel Simmonds Memorial Hospital in Barrow and the Inupiat Communities of the Arctic Slope (ICAS) serves as an "umbrella" government for eight remote Inupiat villages known as the Inupiat "community" spread out along the Arctic Ocean and in the interior, just above the Arctic Circle.

The Process: Following the guidelines in DA 12-1165, ASTAC's Executive Leadership Team made multiple attempts to either coordinate telephonic meetings for Tribal Engagement or meet the requirement through proxy of the engagement process by the tribal entity to the village's elected Director to the ASTAC Board. Tribal leadership points of contact were updated to reflect current information (Tab 1). A cover letter was created to explain the new process and asking for the Tribal Entity's cooperation in meeting our Tribal Engagement obligations. The cover letter borrowed heavily from DA 12-1165. The cover letter was attached to a Tribal Pre-meeting questionnaire which also extracted the questions from DA 12-1165 for Native leaders to consider prior to the telephonic engagement meeting. These two documents were sent on October 17, 2014. An example of the cover letter and a blank Tribal Pre-meeting Questionnaire can be found at (Tab 2).

The cover letter and pre-meeting questionnaire did not elicit a response from any of the Tribal entities who have not asked to be represented by their Tribe's Director on the ASTAC Board. Following the mailing of the first letter, ASTAC had a regularly scheduled Board meeting on October 22d, where the Board approved numerous ongoing engagement items. Minutes for the Open portion of the meeting, including Board approval of engagement activities can be found at (Tab 3). At this same Board meeting, Directors residing in the 5 communities who had been non-responsive to the engagement interaction were asked to do a personal follow up with the Tribal entity and all agreed to do so. The next step in the process was to do a second mailing of the engagement letter on December 10, 2013 with a cover letter reintroducing what we were trying to achieve (Tab 4). Following this mailing, Charlie Carpenter, Chief of Network Operations requested a telephonic meeting. Telephonic logs for each Tribal Entity who did not proxy representation to their elected Director can be found at (Tab 5).

Following multiple attempts to engage Tribal Leadership from October through December 2014, we were successful in connecting with 60% (six) of the ten Tribal entities. A recurring theme that was expressed in 2012 through 2014 was the appropriateness of using the ASTAC elected Board member as a representative of many of the Tribal entities, since the Board member is also a member of the Tribal entity, has received telecom specific training, and sets the direction for the Cooperative based on the will of the people who elect them. We received a written request to do so from the Native Villages of Barrow and Wainwright and verbal authorization from the Native Villages of Kaktovik, Nulqsut, Point Hope, and Anaktuvuk Pass (Tab 6).

I certify that the above description of ASTAC's Tribal Engagement is a fair and accurate documentation of our efforts and that a copy of this certification has been provided via USPS to all of our Tribal entities.



December 31, 2014

Stephen L. Merriam, CEO

Date

Tab 1

2014 Tribal Leadership Roster

ICAS-Barrow
Doraen Lampe, CEO

ASNA
Marie Carroll, Director

Native Village Tribal Council-Presidents

Thomas Olamsun	Barrow
Edward Rexford Sr.	Kaktovik
Howard Patkotak	Wainwright
Margaret Pardue	Nulqist
Jack Schaffer	Pt. Hope
Margaret Ahngesak	Atkasuk
Pres. Village Council	Anaktuvuk Pass individual stepped down, no one at this time
Leo Ferreira	Pt. Lay



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October 17, 2014

TAB2

Mr. Howard Patkotak, President
Village of Wainwright
P.O. Box 143
Wainwright, AK 99782

Dear Mr. Patkotak;

This letter is intended to help facilitate engagement between Tribal government officials and ASTAC, which provides service on Tribal lands with the use of Universal Service Fund (USF) support. In 2012, ASTAC met with all tribal entities on the North Slope. Based on feedback we received from Tribal leadership, we are amending our process to better collaborate with you.

A number of tribal entities pointed out that ASTAC has an elected Director to our Board representing your community. All Directors receive extensive industry training in telecommunications, meet four times yearly to set direction for the Cooperative and could potentially be a great resource in directing the Cooperative relative to your planning. It was highly suggested that the Director coordinate with you and speak for your tribal entity, engaging the Cooperative management team on your behalf. This would be much more responsive to your evolving needs due to the quarterly standing Board meetings where you could be represented. It would also save the membership a significant amount of money. For instance, in-person tribal engagement in 2012 cost the Cooperative almost \$28,000. Five of the ten tribal entities for the North Slope have adopted this approach in 2013, saving the membership significant money better used to upgrade the network for future offerings.

If this alternative approach makes sense to you, please email me at stove@astac.net and confirm your interest in using our Board member as your organization's representative for telecommunications issues, and we will take it from there. Thanks for your consideration of this tailored approach.

Best Regards,

Stephen Merriam, CEO

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Tribal Government Pre-Meeting Questionnaire

Needs Assessment and Deployment Planning

What are the Tribe's communications goals, needs, and priorities, as well as what the Tribe intends to do with communications services?

What core community or anchor institutions are central to deployment and what in the nature and operations of these institutions is relevant to the need for communications services?

Are there economic factors and possibly Tribally-driven opportunities that will assist in making the business case for deployment on Tribal lands, as well as opportunities where Tribal governments and communications providers can partner.

ASTAC has an elected Director to our Board representing your community. All Directors receive industry training in telecommunications, meet four times yearly to set direction for the Cooperative and could potentially be a great resource in directing the Cooperative relative to your planning. Would you like the Director to speak for your tribal entity and engage the Cooperative management team on your behalf?

Feasibility and Sustainability Planning

Are there specific challenges associated with deploying and sustaining a communications network on your lands?

Many federal grant or loan programs provide direct access to, or particular standing for, Tribal Nations and their entities. That is, there are federal government programs that support infrastructure deployment and support the economic, health, safety, and welfare missions in Native communities. Are there any additional resources the Tribal entity may bring to bear in feasibility and sustainability planning for communications services?

Marketing Services in a Culturally Sensitive Manner

The Tribal engagement obligation provides Tribal governments and ASTAC with the opportunity to discuss and explore ways in which we can coordinate or partner to ensure that services are marketed in a manner that will relate directly to the community, resonate with consumers, and stimulate increased adoption of services on Tribal lands.

Would you be interested in developing materials, separately or jointly, specific to the Tribal community?

Would you like to review and comment on our marketing materials as part of the development process?

What other elements of our respective organizations may need to be engaged? For Tribal governments, this may mean administrative planning, community service, and other governmental offices. For ASTAC, this may mean customer service, technical assistance, and commercial business divisions.

Rights of Way and Other Permitting and Review Processes

There are numerous regulatory processes with which ASTAC must comply in order to provide communications services on Tribal lands, including rights of way, land use permitting, facilities siting, and environmental and cultural review processes.

Are there additional regulatory processes beyond those practiced and disclosed by ASTAC that should be incorporated in serving Tribal lands?

Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing Requirements

As sovereign institutions, Tribal governments have the authority to impose Tribal business and licensing requirements on all entities doing business on their lands. The form of these licenses vary greatly, including certificates of public convenience and necessity, Tribal business licenses, master licenses, and other related forms of Tribal government licensure.

Please provide a comprehensive list of any business and licensing requirements applicable to the provision of the cooperative's communications services, including an explanation of precisely what all such requirements entail, specific application procedures and timeframes, as well as the governmental offices involved in the licensing process. As part of this process, ASTAC will provide you with a list of existing licenses in place, as applicable.

MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
ARCTIC SLOPE TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION COOPERATIVE, INC.
HELD OCTOBER 22, 2014 IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM
OF THE COOPERATIVE IN ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

Call to Order

[REDACTED]

Roll Call

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Location

[REDACTED]

Approval of Agenda

[REDACTED]

Attorney's Report

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Approval of the Regular and Executive Meeting Sessions

[REDACTED]

Chief Services Officer's Report

[REDACTED] She reminded the board that in light of the cooperative's tribal engagement responsibilities, marketing efforts were focused on the cultural sensitivities and traditional activities undertaken in the cooperative's service areas. With that background, she reported that July marketing activities included distribution of information regarding flex plans, the availability of the Samsung Galaxy S5 cellular telephone and the rollout of the new webmail system. Activities for August included the installation of a new lighted sign on the Barrow sales office, refreshment of the logo and ASTAC brand and the preparation of sports posters for the upcoming sports season. September activities included preparation of the 2015 calendar and telephone directory, the village SWOOSH promotion in six of the nine service areas, installation of mission and vision plaques in the office and the preparation of additional sports-related ads.

[REDACTED]

The board expressed its approval to both the ongoing and proposed marketing efforts described by Jodi Forsland and she was thanked for her report.

Chief Network Officer's Report

[REDACTED] He indicated that the network department, in an effort to satisfy ongoing needs assessment and deployment planning for communication services in the cooperative service areas, undertook a number of plant-related activities during the third quarter [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] He also reported
on recent Quintillion efforts to begin installation of shore-based facilities to support the planned
undersea fiber optic cable project. The board expressed approval of the plant department's
ongoing assessment and deployment efforts and thanked Mr. Carpenter for his report.

Executive Session

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Break

[REDACTED]

Board Action on Executive Session Matters

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

RESOLUTION 2014-05

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

RESOLUTION 2014-06

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

RESOLUTION 2014-07

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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"P" Card Presentation

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

RESOLUTION 2014-8

[REDACTED]

Tribal Engagement Committee Report

President Aiken asked Steve Merriam to provide the committee report.

Mr. Merriam reminded the board that the FCC and related entities had issued further guidance on tribal government engagement obligations of telecommunications carriers in a release dated July 19, 2012. In compliance with the requirements of the guidance, the cooperative developed an ongoing strategy for needs assessment and deployment planning, feasibility and sustainability planning, the marketing of services in a culturally sensitive matter, compliance with tribal rights of way and other permitting processes, and compliance with tribal business and licensing requirements. He indicated that each department of the cooperative now focus its efforts with respect to these matters.

Steve Merriam also reported that the cooperative had identified ten tribal entities that exist within the cooperative's service area. He indicated that an effort was made, initially in person, and later by correspondence, to contact each group individually to initiate the needs assessment process. As a result of meetings with a number of the tribal entities, it was determined that the best method of interaction with the tribal entities was for each entity to appoint the board

member responsible for the service area in which the tribal entity was located as its primary point of contact with the cooperative. And that way, the board member could communicate the ongoing activities of the cooperative to the tribal entities which, in turn, would communicate tribal entity needs to the cooperative. Mr. Merriam indicated that to date, he received letters approving this mode of interaction from five of the ten tribal entities. He indicated that efforts were underway to determine whether this plan of attack would work with the remaining entities. He also asked the Board members in these communities to reach out to the remaining five tribal entities that have not responded to numerous attempts to engage and start that dialogue. The responsible Directors unanimously agreed to do so.

Board Committee Status Report

[REDACTED]

Village Concerns

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

General Interest Items

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Adjournment

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Date: _____, 2014

[REDACTED]

ATTEST:

[REDACTED]

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RESOLUTION 2014-8



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December 10, 2014

12/13

Mr. Howard Patkotak, President
Village of Wainwright
P.O. Box 143
Wainwright, AK 99782

Dear Mr. Patkotak;

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If this alternative approach makes sense to you, please email me at steve@astac.net and confirm your interest in using our Board member as your organization's representative for telecommunications issues, and we will take it from there. Thanks for your consideration of this tailored approach.

Best Regards,

Stephen Merriam, CEO

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Tab 5 - Tribal Engagement Telephonic Record NV Atqasuk

Date	Time	Called Number	Person you spoke with number not in service	Summary of conversation	Your initials
12/17/2014	10:50am	907-633-2535		She said Della Shugluk is the President and she is out of town	CC
12/17/2014	4:27pm	907-633-2575	Katherine	Number 1 called for Paul last year out of service	CC
12/18/2014	11:20am	907-633-2330	Man answered	Number from phone directory - Paul is out of town	CC
12/18/2014	11:24am	907-633-3679			CC
12/18/2014	11:35am	907-633-6422	Herman Kienak	He said Della Shugluk is President of the Native Village of Atqasuk and Margaret is with corp	CC
12/22/2014	11:10	907-633-2575	ring no answer		CC

Tab 5 - Tribal Engagement Telephonic Record ASNA

Date	Time	Called Number	Person you spoke with	Summary of conversation	Your initials
12/18/2014	11:47am	907-852-4611	woman	Marie Carroll - left voice message for her to call with the idea that I was checking for her reaction to Steve two letters.	CC
12/22/2014	11:54am	907-852-4611	woman forwarded to MC	left voice message again and my call back number	CC

Tab 5 - Tribal Engagement Telephonic Record NV Point Lay

Date	Time	Called Number	Person you spoke with	Summary of conversation	Your Initials
12/17/2014	10:38am	907-833-2575	answering machine	left message for Leo Ferreira to call me Said he has my message...told her it was about letters Steve Merriam sent regarding tribal engagement	CC
12/22/2014	11:14am	907-833-2575	Eunis		CC

Tab 5 - Tribal Engagement Telephone Record ICAS

Date	Time	Called Number	Person you spoke with	Summary of conversation	Your initials
12/22/2014	11:40am	907-852-4227	answering machine	left message and my number for Doreen Lampe	CC

Tab 5 - Tribal Engagement Telephonic Record NV Wainwright

Date	Time	Called Number	Person you spoke with	Summary of conversation	Your initials
12/17/2014	10:48am	907-763-2535	Sonia	She gave me his email address and confirmed he was President of the Native Village of Wainwright -	CC
12/22/2014	11:51am	907-763-2535	answering machine	hepatotat@gmail.com I emailed Howard left message for Howard to call me	CC

TAB 6



**NATIVE VILLAGE OF BARROW
INUPIAT TRADITIONAL
GOVERNMENT**

December 13, 2013

Charles Carpenter
Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc.
4300 B Street Suite 501
Anchorage, AK 99503

Dear Charlie,

I am writing this letter in response to ASTAC's request that the Native Village of Barrow designate ASTAC's elected board member from Barrow as our representative for telecommunications issues. I do support this alternative approach to tribal engagement as a means of getting the necessary input in the most cost effective manner with representation from the most knowledgeable and qualified member of our community.
You may contact me at 907-852-4411 if you have any questions.

Cordially,


Thomas Olemaun, Executive Director/President

TAB 6:

WAINWRIGHT TRADITIONAL COUNCIL

January 16, 2015


To: Stephen Merriam
4300 B Street, Suite 501
Anchorage, AK 99503

RE: Confirmation of WTC Council member to represent the Tribe on behalf of the Wainwright Traditional council

This letter is to confirm our agreement to have the existing Wainwright representative for ASTAC, also represent the Tribe, as he sits on the Wainwright traditional council as a member.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our office at the phone numbers below or via email.

Thank you,


Howard Patkotak
WTC President

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PHONE: (907)763-2575 * FAX: (907)763-2576
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Email: info@astac.net

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1078 Klogak Street
Barrow, Alaska 99723
907-852-7100
Fax: 907-852-0006

LIFELINE AND LINKUP ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

Annual Certification Is Required

Check applying for: ☐ Local Service Assistance OR ☐ Wireless Service Assistance

Verify your eligibility:

1. Complete Section A: Personal Information
2. Complete Section B OR Section C (not both)
3. Complete Section D: Initial, Sign, and Date
4. Attach a copy of your documents to support your eligibility
5. Return Application and Documents to ASTAC 4300 B St, Suite 501, Anchorage, AK 99503 / Fax: 907-563-3394 or 907-852-0006

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

The person applying for Lifeline service MUST BE the same person who qualifies for the Lifeline benefits AND listed on the telephone bill.

CUSTOMER FIRST AND LAST NAME	
MAILING ADDRESS City, State, Zip Code	
"Main" Lifeline Telephone Number	
PHYSICAL ADDRESS City, State, Zip Code (NOT PO Box)	

Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____
(Required) mm dd yyyy

☐ Check here if service address is temporary

Social Security Number: _____
(Required)

Tribal Lifeline: Single party, voice grade access to the public switched network, access to emergency services, access to operator services, access to Interexchange services (unless toll blocking is chosen), access to directory assistance, and toll blocking (if requested).

Tribal Link Up: Includes any standard charges imposed on qualifying low-income individuals on Tribal Lands as a condition of initiating service, including both line extension and initial connection charges. The customer will receive assistance for 100% of connection fees up to \$100.00. This is the maximum federal assistance available. The supported services under this section do not include charges assessed for facilities or equipment that fall on the customer's side of the demarcation point, i.e. customer premises equipment and inside wiring charges. Any additional installation charges or line extension charges will be the responsibility of the customer. Expanded Link-Up Service assistance shall be provided a subsequent time only for a principal residence with a different address than the residence where Expanded Link-Up Service was previously provided.

Check applying for: ☐ Tribal Lifeline (monthly recurring charge) ☐ Tribal Link Up (installation charges)

ASTAC CSR:	
Proof of Eligibility Received and Effective Date(s):	
Date:	

B. PROGRAM-BASED ELIGIBILITY

Check all program(s) in which you or a member of your household is currently enrolled. **YOU MUST PROVIDE PROOF OF PROGRAM PARTICIPATION.** This could include a copy of your benefit ID card, a copy of an eligibility letter from an authorized agency or prior year's statement of benefits. (Do not send original documents.)

<p><input type="checkbox"/> E1 - <u>Medical</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> E2 - <u>Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (Food Stamps or SNAP)</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> E3 - <u>Supplemental Security Income (SSI)</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> E4 - <u>Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8)</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> E5 - <u>Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> E6 - <u>Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> E7 - <u>National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Program</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> E8 - <u>Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) General Assistance</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> E9 - <u>Tribally administered Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TTANF)</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> E11 - <u>Head Start (income based criteria only)</u></p>	<p>E12 - State Assistance Programs (If Applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Alaska Adult Public Assistance</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Alaska Heating Assistance Program</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Alaska Public Housing</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Alaska Senior Care</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Alaska Temporary Assistance Program (ATAP)</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Child Care Assistance (PASS I, II, III)</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Denali Kid Care</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Pioneer Home Payment Assistance</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Sr. Citizen Housing Development Fund</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> E13 - <u>Eligibility Based on Income (see Section C)</u></p> <p>E14 - Program Eligibility Approved by State Administrator</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Home Investment Partnership Program ("HOME")</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Interest Rate Reduction for Low Income Borrowers</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>VA Disability Pension</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>WIC - Woman Infants and Children Program</u></p>
<p>(Documentation will NOT be returned and proof will be shredded)</p>	
<p>IF THE PARENT QUALIFIES FOR THE BENEFITS DUE TO A MINOR CHILD, THEN MINORS' INFO IS NEEDED AS THE "BENEFITS QUALIFYING PERSON"</p>	
<p>Minor's First and Last Name</p>	<p>Date of Birth</p>
<p>Minor's Address</p>	<p>Minor's Social Security Number</p>

C. INCOME-BASED ELIGIBILITY

Calculate **TOTAL** household income by reporting the income of all adult persons residing in your home in the appropriate category:

Income Source	Amount	2015 POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR ALASKA	
Prior year's State, Federal or Tribal tax return OR		Persons in family/household	Poverty guideline
Social Security; Retirement Income		1	\$14,720
Alimony or Child Support		2	19,920
Wages		3	25,120
Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance		4	30,320
Unemployment; Worker's Compensation		5	35,520
		6	40,720
		7	45,920
		8	51,120
		For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$5,200 for each additional person.	
TOTAL:			

You must attach proof of income as reported above, examples include:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Prior year's State, Federal or Tribal tax return OR ■ Most recent statement from each type of current income source(s) noted above: ■ Three consecutive months' worth of your most current pay stubs from all employers ■ Social Security statement of benefits ■ Veterans Administration statement of benefits ■ Retirement/Pension statement of benefits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Unemployment/Worker's Compensation statement of benefits ■ Child Support documentation ■ Federal or Tribal notice letter of participation in Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance OR ■ Divorce Decree
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D. SIGNATURE (This section must be filled out completely)

Please read the following statements, initial by each sentence, and sign below. [Disclosure Statement: Perjury and false statements are punishable by fine and/or imprisonment under Title 18 of the U.S. Code.]

By signing below, I certify under penalty of perjury, to each and every one of the following:

- ☐ 1. I meet the income-based or program-based eligibility criteria for receiving Lifeline, provided in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.409. I have provided documentation of eligibility;
- ☐ 2. I will notify the carrier within 90 days if, for any reason, I no longer satisfy the criteria for receiving Lifeline including, as relevant, if I no longer meet the income-based or program-based criteria for receiving Lifeline support, I am receiving more than one Lifeline benefit, or another member of my household is receiving a Lifeline benefit;
- ☐ 3. If I am seeking to qualify for Lifeline as an eligible resident of Tribal lands, I live on Tribal lands, as defined in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.400(a);
- ☐ 4. If I move to a new address, I will provide that new address to the telephone company within 30 days;
- ☐ 5. If I provided a temporary residential address to the telephone company, I will be required to verify my temporary residential address every 90 days;
- ☐ 6. My household will receive only one (1) Lifeline service, and, to the best of my knowledge, my household is not already receiving a Lifeline service;
- ☐ 7. I acknowledge that I will be required to re-certify my continued eligibility for Lifeline annually, and my failure to re-certify as to my continued eligibility will result in de-enrollment and the termination of my Lifeline benefits pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Section 54.405(a)(4);
- ☐ 8. I acknowledge that providing false or fraudulent information to receive Lifeline benefits is punishable by law; and
- ☐ 9. The information contained in the application and certification form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- ☐ 10. I acknowledge that information from this certification will be given to USAC and/or its agents for purpose of verifying that my household does not receive more than one benefit.
- ☐ 11. I acknowledge that Lifeline Service is Non-Transferable.



Do you or does anyone in your household have any disabilities that may inhibit access to service offerings?

If yes, please explain: _____

X _____

Customer Signature

Date

X _____

Printed Name

54.313 Lifeline customers MOU and additional toll charges

Lifeline subscribers receive the same residential service as a regular subscriber, but at a reduced monthly recurring rate. Thus, lifeline subscribers have an unlimited number of local calling minutes. As for toll, lifeline subscribers, similar to every Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc. subscriber, are free to choose their own toll usage plans through IXC's that serve Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc.



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Date: July 1, 2015

Ms. Mariene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
9300 East Hampton Drive
Capitol Heights, MD 20743

Re: WC Docket No. 14-88, 2015 Annual Report, Form 481 for High-Cost Recipient 54,313(D)(1)
"Milestone Certification"

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In compliance with the filing requirements associated with, and attached to Form 481, we wish to advise the Commission that Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc. provides High Speed Internet service to its customers which:

- Has taken reasonable steps to provide upon reasonable request broadband service at actual speeds of 4 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream in those areas with sufficient terrestrial backhaul; otherwise at the 1M download/236k upload non-terrestrial speed as clarified in the Commission's Third Order on Reconsideration;
- In those areas with terrestrial backhaul, provides latency suitable for real-time applications including VoIP and usage capacity which is reasonably comparable to those in urban areas and;
- That reasonable requests for service are met within a reasonable timeframe.

If there are questions, I may be contacted at 907-564-2680.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Clover McNeil".

Clover McNeil
Chief Financial Officer
Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc.
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**ANCHOR INSTITUTIONS WITHIN ARCTIC SLOPE TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION
COOPERATIVE, INC. TERRITORY**

Access to broadband services was available prior to 2014 to all known anchor institutions. All requests for broadband services, and speed, were fulfilled in 2014. Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc. continues to monitor customer demand and technological innovation, planning to size its network in anticipation of requests for higher speed broadband services.

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Mandatory Reporting Form 481 (4-9-15) replace 2015 Mandatory Reporting Form 481 of 1000s in the District

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5010 Fund Area Code

5015 Fund Area Name

5020 Program Title

5030 Contact Name - Person (FAC) should complete this data

5040 Contact Telephone Number - Number of person designated in data 5030

5050 Contact Email Address - Email Address of person designated in data 5030

PART 8. STATEMENTS OF FINCOM AND RETAINED EARNINGS MINIMUMS	
ITEM	2019 YEAR
1. Local Selling/Leasing Revenues	
2. Natural Assets Revenues	
3. Local District Selling/Leasing Revenues	
4. Transfer Selling and Collection Revenues	
5. Miscellaneous Revenues	
6. Miscellaneous Revenues	
7. Net Operating Revenues (1-6) (100-100)	
8. Plant Specific Operating Expenses	
9. Plant Specific Operating Expenses (Including Depreciation & Amortization)	
10. Plant Specific Expenses	
11. Amortization Expenses	
12. Current or Capital Expenses	
13. Current or Capital Expenses	
14. Total Operating Expenses (100-100)	
15. Operating Income or Margin (7-14) (100-100)	
16. Other Operating Income and Expenses	
17. Total Operating Income	
18. Other Income	
19. Total Operating Income (17+18) (100-100)	
20. Net Operating Income or Margin (15+19) (100-100)	
21. Interest on Funded Debt	
22. Interest Expense - Capital Expenses	
23. Other Interest Expenses	
24. Allowances for Fixed Asset Depreciation	
25. Total Fixed Charges (21+22+23+24)	
26. Net Operating Income	
27. Other Income	
28. Total Operating Income	
29. Total Operating Income or Margin (25+28) (100-100)	
30. Total Taxes Based on Income	
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4820 Study Area Code _____

4825 Study Area Name _____

4830 Program Year _____

4835 Contact Name - Person USMC should contact regarding this data _____

4836 Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line 4835 _____

4838 Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line 4835 _____

PART C. STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
1. Beginning Cash and Cash Equivalents (plus 2015 Construction Fund)	
2. Net Income	Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities
3. Add: Depreciation	
4. Add: Amortization	Nonregulated Activity, According to Audited Financials
5. Other (Expense)	Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities
6. Decreases/Increases in Accounts Receivable	
7. Decreases/Increases in Inventory and Inventory	
8. Decreases/Increases in Prepayments and Deferred Charges	
9. Decreases/Increases in Other Current Assets	
10. Increases/Decreases in Accounts Payable	
11. Increases/Decreases in Advance Billings & Payments	
12. Increases/Decreases in Other Current Liabilities	
13. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Operations	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
14. Decreases/Increases in Notes Receivable	
15. Increases/Decreases in Notes Payable	
16. Increases/Decreases in Customer Deposits	
17. Net Increase/(Decrease) in Long Term Debt (including Current Maturities)	
18. Increases/Decreases in Other Liabilities & Deferred Credits	
19. Increases/Decreases in Capital Stock, Paid-in Capital, Membership and Capital Certificates & Other Capital	
20. Less: Payments of Dividends	
21. Less: Purchase Capital Credits Refused	
22. Other (Expense)	Nonregulated Activity, According to Audited Financials
23. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Financing Activities	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
24. Net Capital Expenditures (Property, Plant & Equipment)	
25. Other Long-Term Investments	
26. Other Noncurrent Assets & Intangible Differences	
27. Other (Expense)	Nonregulated Activity, According to Audited Financials
28. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities	
29. Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash	
30. Ending Cash	

**Board of Directors
Arctic Slope Telephone
Association Cooperative, Inc.**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc. (Cooperative) and its subsidiaries, which comprise the consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, members' equity, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS
(continued)

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc. and its subsidiaries as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

MOSS ADAMS LLP

Spokane, Washington
February 19, 2015